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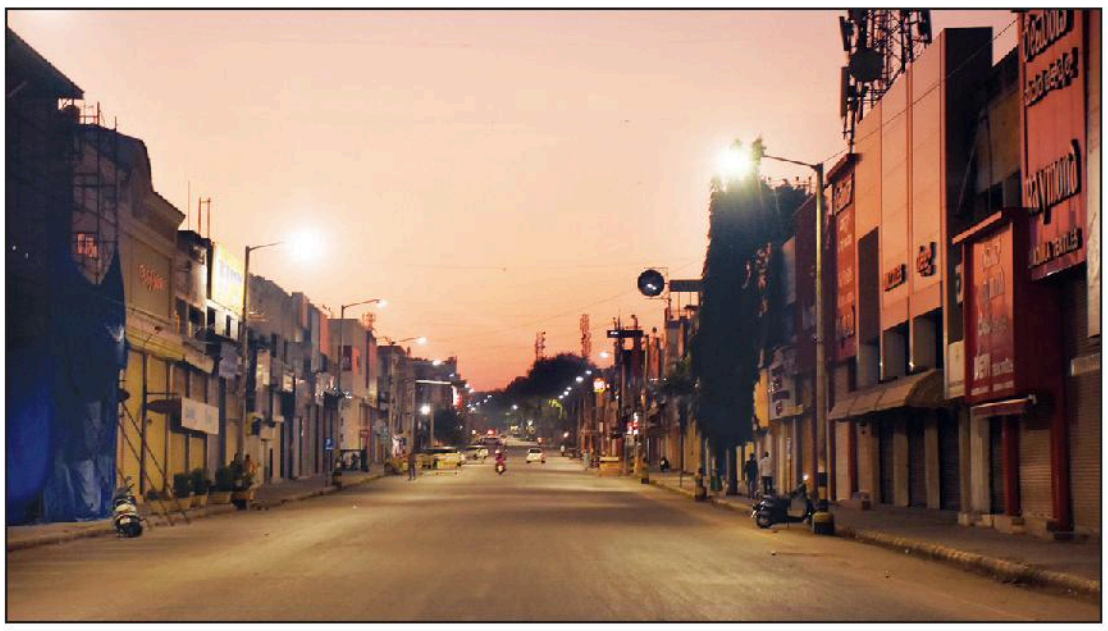
No night curfew from tomorrow

City traders relieved

- Appeal authorities not to use words like 'curfew' as it creates confusion
- No new films will come if 50 percent rule does not go, say theatre owners

Mysuru, Jan. 30 (MTY&BCT)- The decision of the State Government to lift the night curfew from tomorrow (Jan. 31) has come as a major relief to traders and businessmen of the city, especially the hospitality, travel and tourism sectors dependent on tourist flow and whose survival hinges on the decisions taken by the Government.

Stakeholders from the travel and tourism sector were unhappy when the Government lifted weekend curfew but insisted on the 50 percent occupancy rule. However, they are a relieved lot now as many other restrictions including night curfew will be lifted from tomorrow.



As per the new COVID guidelines, swimming pools and gyms have been allowed to open with 50 percent capacity, while bars and hotels have been opened. Marriage functions are permitted with 200 members indoors and 300 outdoors.

Federation of Organisations and Associations of Mysuru (FOAM) President B.S. Prashanth told *SOM* that the city businessmen would welcome the Government move to ease curbs as it will pave way for livelihood and will help in the revival of travel and tourism industry.

"In fact, the word 'curfew' itself is a deterrent as it creates more and more confusion among the people who venture out doing their routine activities. I appeal to the Government and district authorities not to use the word 'curfew' as it has a negative connotation and people will naturally be anxious. With the curbs relaxed, we expect a revival of the tourism industry," he said.

Revival will take time

Mysuru Hotel Owners Association President C. Narayanagowda said that though almost all the sectors have been opened, restrictions continue on cinemas, gyms and marriage halls.

"The Government must understand that all sectors are interlinked. Even after most of the restrictions like the weekend curfew were lifted, hotels in Mysuru have seen only 30 to 40 percent occupancy yesterday and today. People are careful and all SOPs are followed. Moreover, this is a milder version of COVID as pointed out by doctors," he said.

(See TRADERS on page 7)

Makeover for record room at Mysuru Tahsildar office

Dusty files, cloth-covered records make way for sturdy fibre boxes with indexing

Mysuru, Jan. 30 (RK&BCT)- Have you ever visited a Government office where piles of files and documents are kept in a dingy room?

If you have felt overwhelmed by imagining this dusty room where there is no place to even walk, then you can comprehend the pain of someone who physically visits Government offices to obtain the records of land.

Adequate maintenance of documents requires enormous storage rooms and many officials to keep a check and sort them out. However, the Mysuru Tahsildar's Office has found a solution for this record room problem by giving a modern touch to the way records are

stored, classified and maintained. The land records that were earlier tied in cloth and dumped inside iron shelves are now being stored inside fibre boxes and have been segregated village wise and hobli wise for easy and quicker access. This apart, easy indexing has been enabled so that the files can easily be searched, copied and handed over to the public.

The Taluk Record Room (Abhilekhalaya) is located on 2nd floor of Nazarbad Mini Vidhana Soudha and it is a repository of all land records of Mysuru taluk. Records of all survey numbers are stored here and all of them are root documents (original).

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"We believe comment is free, but facts are sacred."

Editor: M. GOVINDE GOWDA, M.A.

Mysuru, Sunday 30th January 2022

Resumption of intellectual debate in Parliament, Assemblies is the need of the hour: SC

New Delhi, Jan. 30 (UNI)- The Supreme Court (SC) on Friday said that Parliament and Assemblies are becoming insensitive places and to get out of such a hopeless situation, it was necessary to take corrective steps towards restoring the dignity and standard of intellectual debate of the highest order.

"It is high time that corrective steps are taken by all concerned and the elected representatives would do enough to restore the glory and the standard of the intellectual debates, which should be of the highest order, as have been chronicled of their predecessors," said a Bench headed by Justice A.M. Khanwilkar and also comprising Justice C.T. Ravikumar.

The Court made these observations, while setting aside the indefinite suspension of 12 BJP MLAs from Maharashtra Assembly, after noting that such suspension could be only limited to the Monsoon Session 2021.

This was not a case of mere procedural irregularity committed by the Legislature, but of substantive illegality, noted the Bench, adding that Parliament or State Legislatures are not a place to create ruckus, but a place where policies and laws are enacted for the welfare of citizens. The Court said, "To become a world leader and self-reliant/ dependent, the quality of debate in the House should be of the highest standard. The debate should be directed towards the internal, constitutional and federal issues, being faced by the common man."

The Top Court also made it clear that aggression during the debates has no place in the setting of a country governed by the Rule of Law. Even a complex issue needs to be resolved in a congenial atmosphere by observing collegiate and showing full respect and defence towards each other. This would also be violative of basic democratic values, allowing a coalition Government with a thin majority to manipulate numbers, it added.

The Apex Court passed the order on a joint appeal filed by the 12 suspended BJP MLAs, led by Ashish Shelar. Calling the suspension unconstitutional and arbitrary, the Bench observed, "It is a drastic measure trenching upon imposing penalty more than disciplinary or corrective measure, beyond the limited inherent powers of the House."

The Bench said, "We have no hesitation in concluding that the resolution suffers from the vice of being unconstitutional, grossly illegal and irrational to the extent of period of suspension beyond the remainder of the concerned Session."

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

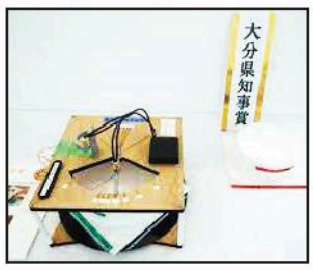
When the media publishes opinion polls, it is important to ask how much did these surveys cost and who paid for them. It is quite apparent that none of the media houses or any survey agency spends such a large sum to conduct these surveys. This means either some other interested organisation has incurred this expenditure, or they did not do a rigorous scientific survey. By these benchmarks, nearly every survey published by the Indian television media is suspect and dubious. A survey being right in some elections is not proof of its credibility or robustness, just as a broken clock is right twice a day. The broad field of empirical science, of which surveys are a small part, is an established discipline for which Nobel prizes have been awarded, not something that fly-by-night operators can replicate easily.

This is why Samajwadi Party is right in asking the Election Commission to take cognisance of opinion polls and regulate them. These opinion polls are not merely reflective of the opinions of Indian voters but a strong determinant of their voting behaviour too. The Election Commission of India cannot continue to turn a blind eye to this dubious practice.

— Praveen Chakravarty in NDTV.com

NEWS SPARKLERS

Device that cuts cake into equal pieces



Tokyo: A team of Japanese high-school students recently won a regional innovation competition with a high-tech device that divides cake and pizza into equal portions every single time.

It's a problem as old as the world – cutting a round treat into more than two equal parts. Thanks to the ingenuity of a group of Japanese students from Kundong High School in Japan's Oita Prefecture. They have created a high-tech device that calculates the angle at which the tasty treat needs to be cut, depending on the number of necessary slices.

Named "Get Along Well With Everyone," the ingenious device consists of a turntable upon which the cake is set by the user and a laser system projects the exact angle at which every slice has to be cut depending on the number of necessary portions.

Guitar fish 'family' in Zuari

Panaji: Three individuals of guitar fish (Glaucostegus granulates), were caught along with a catch of crabs near Cacra coast recently. The sizes of these fish from the Rhinobatidae genus the family of rays varied from 30 - 80cm. Four days earlier, other fishermen had caught two more individuals of a much smaller size about 30 cm which are juveniles.

"It is rare to find juveniles in the Zuari estuary and the finding of the smaller fish indicates that the estuary provided nursery grounds for them. As per fishermen's feedback, only sub-adults of about 80cm would be netted with other catch occasionally. Guitar fish usually breed in the open sea in rocky outcrops and coral reefs.

There is no proper information available on the breeding of guitar fish locally. There is a significant improvement in water quality in the river. Guitar fish prefers the open sea but less movement of vessels have helped it to expand its habitat.

HEALTH CAPSULE

Add probiotics to your plate

Fibre from plants feeds the good bacteria in your gut, strengthening your micro-biome, which is good for your immune system! Apart from garlic and onions, seek out radishes, leeks, asparagus, and tomatoes. In addition, the dense, chewy parts of the vegetable (such as the stalks of broccoli or the bottoms of asparagus) are the most nutritious for gut bacteria. So don't chop off the stalks — eat them!

By Kavya J - Department of Nutrition & Dietetics
Manipal Hospital, Mysore

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LIFE'S ON

** Health Capsule is not intended to be of a diagnostic nature*

Digital Sansad App launched

New Delhi, Jan. 30 (UNI)- As part of the efforts to improve the digital footprint of the Lok Sabha and to connect people to Parliament, 'Digital Sansad App' has been launched by the Lok Sabha Secretariat. An official statement said on Friday the 'Digital Sansad App' will keep citizens updated on all Parliamentary proceedings and other activities.

"The App will make it convenient for citizens to access general information on Members of Parliament, their participation in Sessions, all budget speeches since 1947, House proceedings from 12th Lok Sabha to 17th Lok Sabha," the statement said. The App will also contain the live telecast of Parliament proceedings, major news of the day, etc.

Apart from a virtual tour of the Parliament, the 2022 Budget Session too can be watched live on the App.

Digital Sansad App is available on Android as well as iOS devices play stores for downloading, the statement added.

REALLY...?

- ***In India food was sometimes decorated with a thin layer of silver, known as 'varak'.***
- ***Silver compounds were used to prevent infection from spreading in war zones during World War 1. Silver was once used by dentists for cavity fillings.***

LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

A bachelor asked the computer to find him the perfect mate: *"I want a companion who is small and cute, loves water sports, and enjoys group activities."*
Back came the answer: *"Marry a penguin."*

TODAY'S CURRENCY RATE

1 US Dollar	= Rs. 75.05
1 UK Pound	= Rs. 100.60
1 UAE Dirham	= Rs. 20.42
1 Euro	= Rs. 83.64

COVID-19 UPDATE - MYSURU

	JANUARY 28	JANUARY 29
Day's Positive Cases	1,877	2,431
Total Positive Cases	2,15,890	2,18,321
Day's Discharges	3,762	3,194
Total Discharges	2,01,395	2,04,589
Day's Deaths	8	9
Total Deaths	2,473	2,482
Total Active Cases	12,022	11,250

NOTE: Figures as per Government Media Bulletin

VOICE OF THE READER

Revamp High Tension
Double Road in Vijayanagar

Sir,

The High Tension Double Road in Vijayanagar leading to the Highway is congested throughout the day. No doubt it is a main road but there are potholes everywhere.

During the peak morning hours, people are facing a lot of difficulty when they are going to their workplaces. Many schools and colleges are also situated on this route.

The locality people have made many representations to the authorities concerned but no action has been taken so far to improve/ revamp the road.

On behalf of the motorists and the travelling public, I wish to draw the attention of the authorities who will take some action to improve the road condition.

—Joycelin Rinisha
Gokulam 3rd Stage
28.1.2022

T.P. Shivakumar takes charge as Chamarajanagar SP

T.P. Shivakumar

Chamarajangar, Jan. 30 (SS & DM)- Senior Police Officer T.P. Shivakumar took charge as the new SP (Superintendent of Police) of Chamarajanagar here on Saturday.

Shivakumar, who was serving as SP (Prisons) at Bengaluru, was posted as the new Chamarajangar SP on Thursday.

Speaking after assuming charge as Chamarajanagar SP, Shivakumar said he joined Police service in 2005 and since then he has served as Dy.SP at Haveri, Bagalkot, Mysuru, Hassan, Shivamogga, Teerthahalli and Sagara. Pointing out that he has also served at Mangaluru, Belagavi, Bengaluru and Mysuru, he said that he has now been posted as Chamrajanagar SP.

Stating that he is a native of T. Narasipur taluk, Shivakumar said that he is aware of the geographical features of Mysuru and Chamarajanagar districts.

Maintaining that his dream of serving Chamarajangar district has now been realised, he asserted that he would strive his best to ensure law and order, peace and harmony in the district.

Expressing concern over rising traffic accidents in the district, the new SP said that he would also engage Civil Police for creating traffic rules awareness among the public. He sought the co-operation of the public for proper maintenance of law and order.

Pointing out that Chamarajanagar is a key district of the State that borders Kerala and Tamil Nadu, the SP said that all measures will be taken for preventing intra-border illegal activities.

Dy.SPs Priyadarshini Sanekoppa and Nagaraj and other Police personnel were present.

No Mudukutore Jathre this year

Mysuru, Jan. 30 (SSM)- The annual Sri Bramarambha and Sri Mallikarjuna Jathre, also known as Mudukutore Jathre, that was scheduled to be held from Feb. 3 to 19 this year at Mudukutore Sri Mallikarjuna Swamy Temple of Talakadu hobli in T. Narasipur taluk, has been cancelled owing to the prevailing COVID-19 pandemic and rise of Omicron variant cases.

The Government has imposed restrictions and guidelines to control the spread of virus and has banned mass gatherings in Jathre, festivals and processions. Following all the curbs, the simple Jathre Mahotsava will take place inside the temple premises.

Jathre Mahotsava will be held following all the COVID guidelines.

Devotees and cattle entries are banned to the Mahotsava, informed H.B. Natesh, Executive Officer of Sri Vaidyanatheshwara and Cluster Temples, following Deputy Commissioner's order.

Obituary

S. Gundappa

Mysuru, Jan. 30- S. Gundappa (78), a resident of N.R. Mohalla, passed away yesterday in city.

He leaves behind his wife, one son, three daughters and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were performed at the foot of Chamundi Hill this afternoon.

M. Lokesh

M. Lokesh (46), son of M.N. Mahadevaiah and a resident of N.R. Mohalla, passed away yesterday morning in city following brief illness. He leaves behind his father, wife, two daughters, one son and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were performed at his native place Hebbadihundi in Srirangapatna taluk yesterday afternoon.

Joel James

Joel James (23), Founder of Sneha Kiran of Mysore Spastic Society and a resident of Teachers' Layout in Old Kesare, passed away on Jan. 28 in city.

He leaves behind father A.P. James, mother Binu James, sister Isabel James and a host of relatives and friends.

Funeral mass was held at Mount Carmel Church at Kamanakerehundi this evening.

S. Puttaswamy

Chamarajanagar: S. Puttaswamy (88), senior Congress leader, former Chairman and a resident of Badanaguppe in thetaluk,passed away yesterday at the village.

He leaves behind his wife Sarvamangalamma, three sons including Congress leader B.P. Nagarajamurthy, three daughters, sons-in-law, grandchildren and a host of relatives and friends. Last rites were performed at the family's farm land in the village yesterday.

D. Ramanna

Nanjangud: D. Ramanna (91), a senior BJP leader, passed away yesterday at his residence in the town. He leaves behind three sons, two daughters and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were performed at the burial grounds next to Parashuram Temple.

Divya Sara Thomas is new Deputy Director of KPA

Divya Thomas

Mysuru, Jan. 30 (RK&KS)- IPS Officer Divya Sara Thomas, who was serving as the Superintendent of Police (SP) of Chamarajanagar district, has been transferred as the Deputy Director of Karnataka Police Academy (KPA), Mysuru.

T.P. Shivakumar, who was serving as the SP of Bangalore Central Prisons, has been transferred as SP of Chamarajanagar.

CID-3 SP Ravi D. Channannavar has been transferred and posted as the Managing Director of Karnataka Maharshi Valmiki Scheduled Tribes Development Corporation and Anti Corruption Bureau (ACB)-Mysuru SP Arunamshu Giri has been transferred as Koppal SP.

Natl. Mega Lok Adalat in district on Mar. 12

Mysuru, Jan. 30- National Mega Lok Adalat will be held across the district on Mar. 12 under the aegis of District Legal Services Authority (DLSA).

Citizens can contact DLSA, Mysuru or respective Taluk Legal Services Committee or Permanent Janata Court through online, video conference, e-mail, SMS, WhatsApp, electronic modes to solve their cases which were pending and unsolved in Court.

For details, contact DLSA, ADR Centre, Malalavadi, Jayanagar, 5th Cross, Mysuru - 14 or call Ph: 0821-2330130 or e-mail: *mysurudlsa@gmail.com*, according to a press release from DLSA Member-Secretary Devaraj Bhute.

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NEWS BRIEFS

Mandatory Kannada paper rule dropped

In a decision that would not go well with Kannada lovers, the State Government has withdrawn the order making Kannada language paper mandatory for Under Graduate Courses. The Government's decision comes in the wake of an interim order of the High Court. According to the State Government's revised order, students who have already joined Under-Graduate courses can opt for the language of their choice instead of Kannada. The Government has issued a circular in this regard to the Vice-Chancellors of all State-run and Private Varsities as well as to the Principals of all Government, aided and unaided colleges.

COVID: 7-day special CL for Government staff

The Government employees affected by COVID-19 will be eligible to get a special Casual Leave (CL) of seven days. Any Government employee or family member infected with COVID-19 and those who live in containment zone where there are curbs in public movement can be granted special CL of up to seven days. During such leave, the Government employee will be bound to carry out emergency office work based on instructions issued by (higher-ups) on the phone or online, according to Ajay S. Korade, Under Secretary of Finance Department.

Child labour survey begins in district

Mysuru, Jan. 30 (RK&DM)- In a bid to bring school drop-outs back to schools, the Labour Department, in association with other concerned Departments and organisations, launched a month-long survey of Child Labourers in the district on Friday.

Assistant Labour Commissioner Nazia Sultana launched the survey at Saraswathipuram.

On the first day, the officials visited shops and checked for child labourers. Cautioning the shop and other commercial establishment owners against employing children below 18 years of age, the officials said that legal action will be initiated under the Anti-Child Labour Act against those who employ minor children.

Speaking to *Star of Mysore*, Nazia Sultana said that survey teams have been formed in all taluks of the district. Pointing out officials and staff from 13 Government Departments including Police, Women and Child Welfare, Social Welfare, Health and Education, are taking part in the survey, she said that shops that hide or give false information on child labour, will be raided in the coming days. Asking the parents to send their children to schools, Sultana said that the members of the public must tip off officials if they come across child labour in shops or other commercial establishments.

Stating that the parents are being sensitised on the ill-effects of child labour, she said that the survey will continue till Feb. 28, adding that the officials have been asked to ensure that shop owners erect display boards mentioning 'We do not employ children'.

Payment of compensation: DC directs families to visit Taluk Office and bank

Mysuru, Jan. 30 (RK&DM)- Amidst complaints that many families of COVID dead are yet to receive the announced Government compensation, DC Dr. Bagadi Gautham has asked the family members of the COVID dead to visit the respective Taluk Office and banks for getting Government compensation of Rs. 50,000.

Dr. Bagadi Gautham

Pointing out that the family members have to submit documents such as COVID positive report of the dead, Death Certificate, a copy of Aadhaar Card, Ration Card, Bank Passbook, a self-declaration in Form-2, No-Objection undertaking given by all family members etc., the DC said that the family members have to visit the Taluk Office and their bank if Rs. 50,000 compensation is not credited to the applicant's account despite submission of documents.

Dharmasthala Rural Development Project launches 'Vatsalya' for shelterless

Bherya (K.R. Nagar), Jan. 30- Taking forward its initiatives for public welfare and social causes, Shree Kshetra Dharmasthala Rural Development Project (SKDRDP) has launched 'Vatsalya,' a scheme aimed at distribution of livelihood kits to weaker sections and shelterless people. The scheme was launched at Bherya in K.R. Nagar taluk recently.

Speaking after the launch at Chandagalu village in K.R. Nagar taluk, SKDRDP Chief Operations Officer (COO) Anil Kumar said that Vatsalya Kit contains utensils, clothes and food articles.

Pointing out that the Project has been giving a monthly pension ranging from Rs. 750 to Rs. 1,000 to about 10,000 needy people, he said that the SKDRDP is providing loans at a low rate of interest for taking up dairy farming, agriculture and such other self-employment.

Pointing out that the SKDRDP has established 271 drinking water units, Anil said that the Samsthe has also launched 'Kere Sanjeevani' scheme, where water bodies are revived or rejuvenated.

Noting that the Government has joined hands with SKDRDP in this endeavour, he said that 'Namma Ooru-Namma Kere' scheme is focused on development of water bodies in rural areas.

Continuing, Anil said that SKDRDP is also providing monthly student scholarship of Rs. 400 to Rs. 1,000 under 'Sugnana Nidhi' scheme and added that Dharmasthala Dharmadhikari Dr. Veerendra Heggade is the driving force behind all the schemes.

SKDRDP K.R. Nagar Unit Project Officer Gayatri said that a Vatsalya Kit was handed over to one Nanjundachari, who was a destitute.

Pointing out that Nanjundachari led life by working in an agricultural field, she said that Nanjundachari is an inspiration for today's youth on livelihood.

SKDRDP District Director Muralidhar, PDO Ravi, Manager Rekha and others were present.

WATER LEVEL

KRS DAM

Maximum	:	124.80	feet
Today	:	119.64	feet
Yesterday	:	119.88	feet
Inflow	:	910	cusecs
Outflow	:	4,214	cusecs

KABINI DAM

Maximum	:	2,284.00	feet
Today	:	2,282.40	feet
Inflow	:	188	cusecs
Outflow	:	400	cusecs

HARANGI DAM

Maximum	:	2,859.00	feet
Today	:	2,856.64	feet
Inflow	:	193	cusecs
Outflow	:	50	cusecs

Ph.D awardees

Mysuru, Jan. 30- **K. Siddaraju**

has been awarded Ph.D in Earth Science by the University of Mysore (UoM) for his thesis 'Integrated Groundwater Resource Evaluation in Hanur Watershed, Kollegal Taluk, Chamarajanagar District and Karnataka State, India' submitted under the guidance of Dr. P. Madesh.

N. Chandra Mohana has been

awarded Ph.D in Microbiology by the UoM for his thesis 'Bioassay Based Isolation of Bioactive Metebolite from Mycoendophytes' [Guide: Dr. S. Satish].

Yahya Qaid Ahmed Naji

has been awarded Ph.D in Journalism by the UoM for his thesis 'Uses and Gratifications of Social Media: A Comparative Study of Women in Yemen and India' [Guide: Dr. Pramila B. Kunnur].

Bangalore University has

awarded Ph.D in Law to **T.M. Prashanth** for his thesis 'A Study of Legal Regime on Environmental Crimes in India' [Guide: Dr. Suresh V. Nadagoudar].

Karnataka's Republic Day tableau steals the show

Artist Akmal Pasha of Rajivnagar and his 45-member team provide a magical touch

The Karnataka tableau that gained visual attention at the Republic Day parade in New Delhi's Rajpath on Jan. 26.

Special woven bamboo sheets were procured from Dakshina Kannada to design the Karnataka tableau.

By A. Ganesh

Mysuru, Jan. 30- From skilfully made pots, carefully sculpted sandalwood miniatures to hand-woven sarees, Karnataka's rich tradition of handicraft were on grand display at the Republic Day parade in New Delhi's Rajpath on Jan. 26. In fact, the Karnataka tableau stole the show with an eye-catching depiction of the land's cultural icons. A massive Asiatic elephant sculpted out of Mysuru rosewood with ivory inlay carvings, impressive Bidriware, bronze statues and lacquerware toys from Channapatna were the highlights of the tableau which was based on the theme — 'Karnataka: The Cradle of Traditional Handicrafts'.

The tableau also featured Kamaladevi Chattopadhyay, the acclaimed freedom fighter from Karnataka, who is also hailed as the 'mother of traditional handicrafts in India'. She is seen offering 'bagina' that includes a sandal box, peacock shaped lamp pots, banana fibre bags from Sandur among others.

For the tableau to impress the guests and onlookers, the efforts of many artists have to be taken into account and this time, it is **Akmal Pasha,** a resident of Mysuru who displayed his talent in designing and giving

Akmal Pasha

Shashidhar Adapa

a shape to the tableau. A resident of Rajivnagar in the city, Akmal Pasha is a retired employee of BEML.

Pasha has acquired the skills of an artist due to years of hard work. Under the guidance of **Shashidhar Adapa,** Art Director of Prathiroopi, Pasha has been designing tableaus for the Republic Day parades. Shashidhar Adapa was the Art Director for this year's Karnataka tableau. A 45-member team functioned along with Akmal Pasha and the initial sketches were provided by Shashidhar Adapa that were brought to life by Pasha and team.

16 TRADITIONAL HANDICRAFT PRODUCTS

The 45-feet long, 16-feet high and 14-feet wide tableau showcased 16 traditional handicraft products that have received the Geographical Indication tag. The coastal traditions of the State also found a place on the tableau in the form of Yakshagana models and bronze face masks used in 'bhootha aradhane' (devil worship).

A mammoth Mysuru elephant with rosewood inlay carvings led the tableau which also featured Ganjifa cards, Bronzeware, Kinhal toys, Kolhapuri slippers and Mysore traditional paintings. Various weaves were a part of this artistic presentation including the Navalgund Jamkhana, Gulledgud Khana, the Ilkal, Molakalmuru and Udupi sarees, Mysore Silk, along with traditional Kasuti and Sandur Lambani embroidery.

The central portion had a huge vase depicting Bidri carving and two large peacocks were placed behind. At the end of the central portion was a large installation of Hanuman depicting Kinhala artwork which was surrounded by Channapatna toys, lacquerware toys, Navalgund fabric and sandalwood carvings and terracotta articles.

FROM BEML TO ART

After completing his ITI in Hassan, Akmal Pasha got a job in KGF where he pursued his passion for art and drama. He worked backstage creating various artefacts and visual appeal objects that fit into the theme of the dramas. Later he was transferred to BEML and in 1991 he designed certain 'Jumboo Savari' tableaux. He did this task for 10 years and later joined Shashidhar Adapa's team. In 2000, he visited New Delhi to prepare the Republic Day tableaux and has never looked back since then. Akmal Pasha is a constant feature in the nation's capital when it comes to Karnataka tableaux. He has been awarded by the Karnataka Nataka Academy in 2013 and has also bagged CGK award in 2015.

Pasha has been designing Karnataka tableaux in Delhi for 13 years under the guidance of Adapa. This year, Pasha and team left Mysuru to New Delhi on Dec. 23 and worked tirelessly to make the culture tableaux a reality. Commenting on the overall Karnataka tableau this year, Pasha said that the design will bag the best tableau award this year. Online voting is open till Jan. 31 and after that, the winner will be decided, he added.

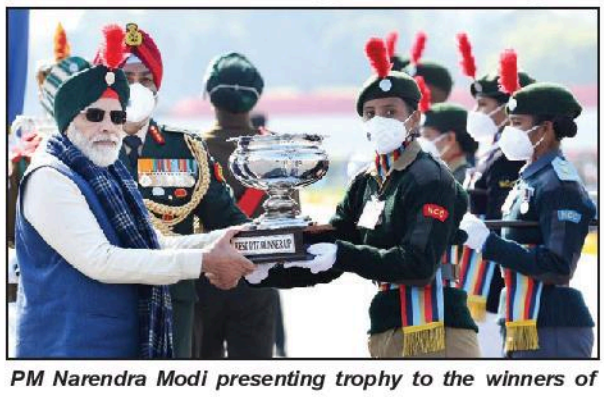
Counter misinformation in digital age: PM to NCC cadets

New Delhi, Jan. 30 (UNI)- Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Friday warned against the "dangers of misinformation" in digital age and asked NCC cadets to counter it with awareness campaigns.

Addressing National Cadet Corps (NCC) Rally at Cariappa Ground on Jan. 28, the PM said, "Today on the one hand there are good possibilities related to digital technology and information, on the other hand, there are dangers of misinformation. It is also necessary that the common man of our country should not fall prey to any rumour. The NCC cadets can run an awareness campaign for this."

The PM said that cadets should come forward to engage with school drop-outs and try to remove obstacles to ensure education to them. There is another area which needs our attention — deteriorating imbalance in virtual and real life. NCC cadets can work in this direction, he said.

The PM stressed that drugs should not reach the



PM Narendra Modi presenting trophy to the winners of PM's NCC Rally in New Delhi on Jan. 28.

school/ college where there is NCC or NSS. He advised the cadets to be free from drugs themselves and, at the same time, keep their campus free from the menace.

Modi remembered with pride his NCC connection and credited his training as an NCC cadet for giving him the strength to carry out his responsibilities towards the nation.

He talked about the steps being taken to strengthen the NCC in the country and said that a high-level review committee was set up in the country and one lakh new cadets were created in the border areas of the country.

He noted the presence of the large number of the girl cadets in NCC and termed it to be a symbol of changing attitude of the nation. "Daughters are taking admission in Sainik Schools and women are getting major responsibilities in the Indian Army. The daughters of the country are flying fighter planes in the Air Force. In such a situation, it should be our endeavour that more and more daughters are included in NCC," he said.

The Prime Minister paid tributes to Lala Lajpat Rai and Field Marshal K.M. Cariappa for their contribution in nation building as both have their birth anniversaries on Jan. 28.

Sarvodaya Day observed in city

University of Mysore (UoM) Vice-Chancellor Prof. G. Hemantha Kumar seen offering floral tributes to the bust of Mahatma Gandhi on the occasion of Sarvodaya Day at a function organised by UoM at its premises this morning. Retired Maharaja College Principal Prof. K. Kalachannegowda, Prof. R. Shivappa, Registrar and Dr. A.P. Jnana Prakash, Registrar (Evaluation), Dr. M.S. Shekar, Director, Gandhi Bhavan and others were present. Shakuntala, a Pourakarmika, was felicitated on the occasion. It was on this day in 1948, the Mahatma was assassinated in Delhi and as a mark of respect, Jan. 30 is observed as Sarvodaya Day.

England Vs Australia: Women's Ashes Test ends in exciting draw

Canberra (Australia), Jan. 30- The only Women's Ashes Test between Australia and England ended in an exciting draw at Canberra on the fourth and last day today, with England holding on with its last wicket pair, successfully defending the Australian women bowlers.

Set a target of 257 runs for a win after Australia declared its second innings at 216-7, the English women began the chase confidently, but lost wickets in the last session and managed to save the Test by a whisker, with the last wicket pair holding out.

Brief scores

Australia women: 337 for 9 decl. and 216 for 7 decl. Vs **England women:** 297 all out and 245 for 9.

Makeover for record room at Mysuru Tahsildar Office

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These records are stored in red, yellow and white cloth. Each record covered in cloth has a paper slip pasted on top indicating the hobli, village and the survey number. Whenever, applications are received from the public for a copy of land records, these cloth-covered records are opened and photocopies are made and the records are put back in the same shape.

However, this process was time-consuming and also had a threat of damage. The older the documents get, the more fragile they become. Papers used to get torn and once damaged, it is impossible to get the original records. Also, as most of the records are old, some even dating back to more than 100 years, they are delicate and it is a daunting task to preserve them in shape.

When it comes to maintenance of land records then there should be no scope of loophole since a single mistake on the Government or citizen part can lead to the incurrence of exorbitant losses.

As per the new system launched under the leadership of Tahsildar K.R. Rakshit and RRT Shirastedar Bharat, records are stored in fibre boxes and have been indexed for easy access. 100 boxes have been devoted to the L and D records, land reforms documents have been stored in 80 boxes, 'anyakrantha' (alienee) documents in 130 boxes, RRT documents in 60 boxes, 'Chakra Inam' files in 15 boxes and 8 boxes have been reserved for burial grounds.

Over 130 Book Binding MR (Mutation Register) that contain 300 registers have been properly arranged and are handled by record keeper C. Mahesh who gives photocopies of the records without any delay whenever a requisition comes.

The Mysuru Taluk has Kasaba, Varuna, Jayapura and Yelwal Hoblis and there are 167 villages. This is for the first time the taluk record room has been modernised, segregated and classified where the public can easily get their records without any hassles. These boxes have specially been procured from New Delhi and this will prevent damage to records.

Land records are essential to reduce any cases of local dispute or litigation. These records also help the Government keep track of crop details, surveys, loan agreements and the implementation of various schemes. Moreover, farmers can prove the ownership, occupancy, irrigation or tax payments associated with a specific plot using land records.

Sabarmati Ashram Model to come up at Badanavalu

Nanjangud, Jan.30 - Khadi and Village Industries Board (KVIB) Chairman N.R. Krishnappa Gowda said that a model of Gujarat's Sabarmati Ashram will be built at Badanavalu in Nanjangud taluk at a cost of Rs.1 crore to attract tourists.

He was speaking at the International Tourism Day organised by Tourism Department at Khadi Handloom Centre at Badanavalu recently.

Pointing out that Mahatma Gandhi inaugurated the Khadi Centre at Badanavalu in 1927, Krishnappa Gowda said had not Gandhiji launched the Khadi movement, thousands of people from rural areas would have been rendered jobless in the pre-independence days.

Noting that he had taken up securing of all Khadi Centre properties after he became KVIB Chairman, he highlighted the measures he had taken for revival of Khadi and Village industries.

Explaining the facilities and benefits available under KVIB, he reiterated that Badanavalu will be made tourist destination with the establishment of Sabarmati Ashram model.

Tourism Department official Raghavendra, Tourist Guides Association President Ashok, District KVIB Officer Kantharaju and other officials were present on the occasion.

Obituary

Sri Kundegowda

Mysuru, Jan. 30- Sri Kundegowda (90), a resident of Yadavagiri, passed away this morning in city.

He leaves behind two sons including Prof. Narasimhamurthy (Professor at PES College in Mandya), daughter-in-law Nandini Murthy and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites will be held at Chirashantidhama in Gokulam this evening.

Kokkanda G. Madappa

Kokkanda G. Madappa (Giri), former Handball Coach and a resident of Ramakrishnanagar, passed away in the wee hours of today in city. He was 51.

Son of late K.M. Ganapathy and a native of Kaikery village in Gonikoppal, South Kodagu, Madappa leaves behind his wife, one son, brother and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were performed at Kaikery village this evening.

City traders relieved

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In Mysuru, there are over 415 hotels and business has been dull since the last two years. "Only occasionally have we reported full occupancy. Over 60,000 people are directly and indirectly dependent on the tourism sector. Revival will not be quick but a slow process. In fact, there were signs of revival in October 2021 but the third wave and the Government restrictions poured cold water on that," Narayanagowda added.

Enquiries begin

With the Government relaxing the norms, tourism and travel enquiries have slowly begun in Mysuru, said Mysuru Travels Association President C.A. Jayakumar. "Even I feel that words like 'curfew' used by the Government authorities must cease to exist. It discourages people from carrying out their routine activities and it hinders a well-planned tour schedule. People are anxious about returning home on time," he said.

"Travel industry has seen 90 percent collapse and now slowly, we are getting some enquiries. I appeal to the Government to allow us to survive and not to bring in more restrictions. The Government must enable the economy to gain traction. We have already suffered enough and we do not want to further suffer due to certain illogical decisions by the Government," he said.

'Govt. decisions killing us daily'

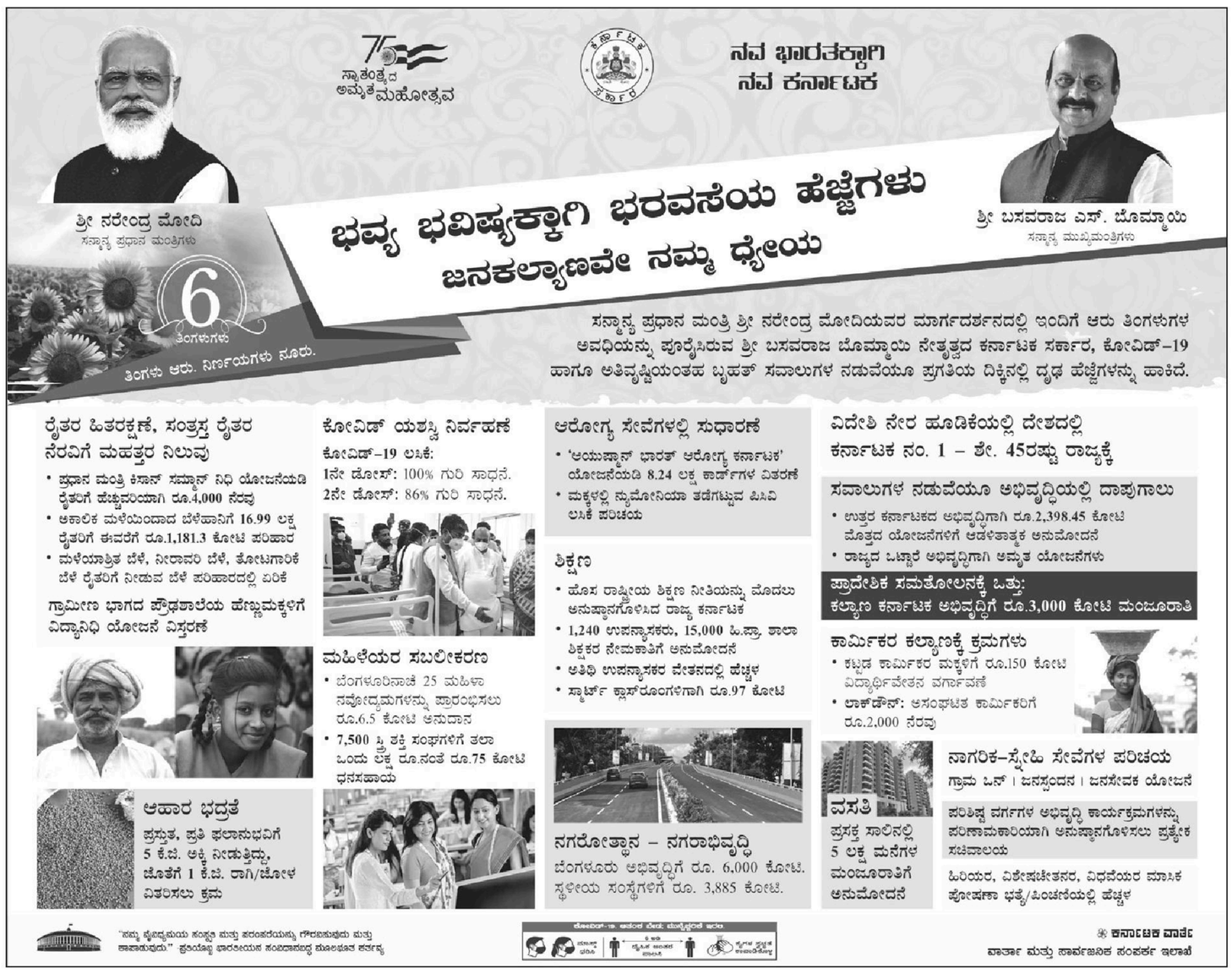
Mysuru, Jan. 30 (MTY&BCT)- The Government's move on not allowing theatres, cinema and multiplexes to function with full capacity has not gone down well with the film industry stakeholders. They say continuing the 50 percent occupancy rule will deter the producers from releasing new films.

"Certain illogical decisions taken by the Government are killing us daily and our livelihood is at a crossroads," said M.R. Rajaram, who is also the Vice-President of Karnataka Film Exhibitors Federation. Though many reputed doctors have confirmed that the third wave is milder and do not require hospitalisation, the Government, ill-advised by the so called Technical Advisory Committee has imposed curfews, he added.

Blaming the Technical Advisory Committee for the mess, Rajaram said that in 2020, the cinema industry and theatres functioned for just three weeks and in 2021, it was three months.

"The same Government never looks back while imposing taxes on the already overburdened cinema and theatre sector. We have paid all the taxes since the outbreak of the pandemic," he said.

"In a bar or a pub, people sit face to face and in a bus and train, there is no semblance of social distance. But in theatres, there is a 50 percent rule. Does the virus spread only in theatres," he questioned. Despite following all SOPs, theatres are being targeted, he alleged.



108-ft Male Mahadeshwara statue works on in full swing

Rs. 20 crore heritage mountain project to be completed by September 2022

By Mohan Kayaka

Mysuru, Jan. 30- Over 60 to 65 percent works have been completed to build a 108-ft statue of Male Mahadeshwara Swamy atop Male Mahadeshwara Hills (MM Hills).

The 27-ft pedestal on which the statue of Madappa on top of a tiger has been constructed and now works are on to build the tiger and the statue that will stand 81 ft tall. The concrete and iron statue is being designed as 'Mahadeshwara Swamy sitting on a tiger, holding his Trishula.'

The height from the base of the pedestal till the top will be 108 ft and the total estimate of the project is Rs. 20 crore. Sri Male Mahadeshwara Swamy Development Authority (MMDA) is installing the statue as a tourist attraction at the hilltop.

The project was conceived in 2016 and the actual statue stands on 2-acre land at Deepadagiri Oddu, about 500 metres from the Temple complex. PSAP Architects is executing the project and the actual work began on 16.3.2020 and the project will be completed by 15.9.2022, said Executive Engineer and Technical Advisor to the Project H. Kumar told *Star of Mysore*.

MMDA Secretary Jayavibhavaswamy is personally looking into the progress of the project, he added.

The MMDA has proposed to develop the area on the lines of a heritage mountain. The statue stands in a complex of 20 acres and additional land will be required to include more attractions.

The base of the statue will host a museum that will depict the historical place and its presiding deity Male Mahadeshwara. In the museum, stories related to Male Mahadeshwara Swamy will be narrated. Numerous idols that explain the story of the Lord will find a place in the museum.

Construction of a spacious and verdant garden and a musical fountain are also being planned near the statue. Other highlights will include a folk village called 'Janapada Loka' that will provide a platform for folk artistes to display their talent during festivals and other occasions, an amphitheatre and a prayer hall.

Basic facilities will be developed at Nagamale and steps will be taken to recruit staff to improve the facilities on the Hill. An action plan has been prepared to develop the Hill in phases besides building toilets, providing drinking water and parking facilities to devotees. CCTV cameras with a wide range will be installed in the complex.

A blue print of 108-ft tall Sri Male Mahadeshwara Swamy statue at MM Hills.

Man kills divorced wife

Shalini

Mandya, Jan. 30 (Mohanraj & K S) - A 40-year-old man, who had divorced his wife four years ago, has allegedly murdered the woman by slitting her throat with a knife and has also bludgeoned her with a stone. The incident took place at Ragimuddanahalli in the taluk on Friday evening.

While the deceased has been identified as Shalini (32), the accused is Suresh (40). Suresh and Shalini, both from Ragimuddanahalli, had married 15 years ago after they fell in love with each other. They had two daughters. Due to differences in opinions, they separated after getting divorced four years ago.

After getting divorced, Shalini was staying in her father's house along with her daughters and was working in a private factory at Kalenahalli village. It is learnt that even after getting a divorce, Suresh used to go to Shalini's house frequently and create ruckus. The issue had even reached the doors of the Police Station.

But on Friday evening, Suresh, who was waiting for Shalini to come from work, allegedly slit her throat with a knife on her arrival and even smashed her head with a boulder.

After committing the crime, Suresh is said to have been moving freely in the village as if nothing had happened.

But following a complaint from Shalini's brother, Mandya Rural Police, who had registered a case, arrested Suresh on Saturday afternoon.

During interrogation, accused Suresh is said to have told the Police that Shalini never allowed the children to meet him even during Sankranti festival and hence he had killed her.

Superintendent of Police (SP) Yatish said that Shalini's brother has stated that she (Shalini) had lodged complaints against Suresh in 2012 and 2014 and a case under POCSO Act in 2014. Recently, Suresh had asked Shalini to live with him and had even threatened her.

MP wants High Court to probe
Dr. Ambedkar portrait row at Raichur

Sreenivasa Prasad

Mysuru, Jan. 30 (SBD&DM)- Strongly condemning the incident where Raichur District and Sessions Court Judge had allegedly ordered removal of Dr. B.R. Ambedkar's portrait during the Republic Day celebration at Raichur District Court premises on Jan. 26, Chamarajanagar BJP MP V. Sreenivasa Prasad has demanded a High Court probe into the matter.

Addressing a press meet at his residence in Jayalakshmipuram here yesterday, Sreenivasa Prasad said that the High Court Chief Justice should voluntarily order a probe into the incident and take suitable action.

Stressing on the need for ensuring that such incidents do not recur in the future, the MP observed that the Raichur district administration cannot take action as the incident has taken place inside the Raichur Court premises.

Pointing out that he would write to the Chief Minister and the Law Minister in this regard, Prasad said it was very painful to learn that the portrait of Dr. Ambedkar, who is considered as the father of the Constitution, was removed during the Republic Day celebration.

Taking strong exception to the action of Raichur District Sessions Judge, Prasad, referring to the Judge's remarks that the High Court had not ordered placing of Dr. Ambedkar's portrait, wondered whether the HC had directed removal of Dr. Ambedkar's portrait.

Former MUDA Chairman C. Basavegowda and others were present at the Press meet.

Gang threatens woman; loots cash, gold jewellery in broad daylight

Mysuru, Jan. 30 (RK&KS)- A gang of seven youths, who barged into a house at Vijayanagar 4th Stage, threatened the woman in the house and has decamped with cash and gold jewellery on Jan. 26 afternoon.

The woman, who resides in a rented house along with her five-year-old son, speaking to SOM, said that on Jan. 26 at about 2.30 pm, a gang of seven youths, who came in a car and two bikes, barged into the house and threatened her and took away Rs. 38,000 cash, 12 grams gold ornaments and two mobile phones from the house. She also said that the youths even threatened another woman, who had come to the house, took away her ATM Card, obtained the password forcibly and have withdrawn Rs. 47,600 cash.

The woman also said that on Dec. 26, 2021 at about 10.30 am, three persons had barged into the house and had threatened her. She has accused that despite visiting Vijayanagar Police Station continuously since Jan. 26 and complained, the Police were not registering a case and added that even after telling the Police that the CCTV camera installed in the neighbour's house had captured the youths coming and escaping with cash and gold from her house, the Police were not investigating the incident.

Mysuru City and Mysuru Rural KSRTC Divisions to merge on Mar. 1

Mysuru, Jan. 30 (SPN&DM)- As per a Government decision taken on Dec. 28, 2021, the Mysuru City and Rural Divisions of KSRTC will be merged and named as 'Mysuru Division' with effect from Mar. 1.

KSRTC MD Shivayogi C. Kalasad has ordered that the new Mysuru Division will come into effect from Mar. 1, following the merger of KSRTC City and Rural divisions. Directing closure of Bannimantap Unit of City Division and Unit-2 of Rural Division, Kalasad said that the excess staff arising out of the merger may be deployed to posts that are lying vacant in all the Four Transport Corporations of the state.

With the merger, the offices of the Mysuru City Division and Divisional workshop too will be shut down and the buildings that become vacant, can be utilized for other commercial purposes.

The department heads have been directed to complete all procedures and formalities of the merger by Mar. 1.

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Notice is given on behalf of my Client Kum Rakshitha.S, daughter of Shivakumar, residing at Door No.2320, Sempige Road, Opp. Apollo Hospital, Kuvempunagara "J" Block, Mysuru, is intending to purchase the below mentioned schedule property from its owner G.Manoj Kumar son of Sri. G. Gopal Kumar, residing at, New No.11, having Door No.2869, 10th Cross, 6th Main, Near Ventikoppal Post Office, V.V Mohalla, Mysuru.

Therefore, any person(s) having any claim in respect of the above referred property or part thereof by way of Sale, Exchange, Mortgage, Charge, Gift, Maintenance, Inheritance, possession, Lease, Tenancy, Sub tenancy, Lien, License, Hypothecation, Transfer of title or beneficial interest under any Trust, right of prescription or pre-emption under any Agreement or other disposition or under any Decree, Order or Award or otherwise claiming howsoever, are hereby requested to make the same known in writing together with supporting documents to the undersigned at my office at No.1037, CH 5/1, Devaparthiva Road, Chamarajapuram, Mysuru 570005, within a period of 14 days (both days inclusive) of the publication hereof failing which the claim of such person(s) will deemed to have been waived and/or abandoned.

SCHEDULE

All that piece and parcel of site bearing No.86 carved out in Survey No.107, 108, 112/4, 113, 114/1, 114/2, 115, 165, 167, 169, totally measuring 35 Acres 27 Guntas, developed by Parashurama Kshemabhivruddhi Sangha ® situated at "Parashuram Layout", Bhugatagalli Village, Varuna Hobli, Mysuru Taluk, measuring East to West 12.00 meters and North to South 18.00 meters, totally measuring 216.00 square meters, bounded on: East by Property bearing No.87, West by: Property bearing No.85, North by: Road, South by Property bearing No.91.

Sd/- **SRINIDHI, Advocate and Law Consultant,** Office at No.1037, CH 5/1 Devaparthiva Road, Chamarajapuram Mysuru-570005 Mob. 9482584824

Dated 30th January 2022, Place: Mysuru

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the general public that my client **M/s BLANCO STEEL DETAILING SERVICES PVT LTD,** Rep by its Managing Director Mr. SUDEEP MC as entered into an agreement of sale on dated 01.12.2021 and also paid earnest money.

Despite my client is willing to perform and abide by all the conditions of the sale agreement, the owner of the Schedule property by name **Sri. VIKAS B V S/o Late B V VENKATESH B V residing at Door No: 1192/A, Balakrishna Rao Road, Chamarajapuram, Mysore** has been evading with illmotive to registered the sale deed by receiving the balance amount. In this regard my client is intending to take up the matter before the court of law and accordingly the general public is here by cautioned not to deal with the said Sri VIKAS B V with respect to the schedule property mentioned bellow

SCHEDULE

All that piece and parcel of site property bearing No. 2542, Situated at Dattgalli, 3rd Stage, Chamaraja Mohalla, Mysuru bounded by: **East by:** Property bearing No. 2541, **West by:** Property bearing No. 2543, **North:** Property bearing No. 2539 **South by :** Road.

Extent of measuring: East to West 15.00 Meters & North to South 24.00 Meters total measuring 360 Square meters.

Date: 29.01.2022

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PUBLIC NOTICE

The General Public at large is hereby notified that, my clients have agreed to purchase the under mentioned property from its owner **Smt. SHASHIKALA JAYAPRAKASH,** wife of Late K.M Jayaprakash. If any person/(s), including Bank, Financial Institution, Private Financier and all Statutory Authorities, claiming any right, interest, objections or charges on the under mentioned Schedule Property or any part thereof, is/are hereby required to contact me at my Office, **No. 1458/A, N.S. Road, Near Sapna Book House, Mysuru,** with documentary evidence, within **07 (Seven) days** from the date of this publication, as otherwise the said sale will be completed without any reference or regard to any such purported claim or interest, which shall be deemed to have been waived for all intents and purposes.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

ALL THAT PIECE AND PARCEL OF Immovable Commercial Property bearing **Shop No. 32,** situated at Sri D. Devaraja Urs Road [D.D. Urs Road], III Stage, Devaraja Mohalla, Mysuru, with a building thereon. Site measuring East to West: 30 Feet and North to South: 30 Feet. Bounded on East by: Shop No. 31, West by Shop No. 33, North by Conservancy and South by D. Devaraja Urs Road.

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ALL THAT PIECE AND PARCEL OF Immovable Vacant Property bearing **New No. D-44/1 [Old No. 2833/1],** situated at Adipampa Road, Devaraja Mohalla [formerly CITB Site No. 31, III Block, Vani Vilasa Mohalla], Mysuru. Site Measurement East to West: 40 Feet and North to South: 60 Feet Bounded on East by Conservancy, West by Property bearing No. 2833 (New No. 44/1), North by Adipampa Road and South by Remaining Portion of Property No. 2833 (New No.44)

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WORD OF THE DAY

Debilitating

Pronunciation: dih-BILL-uh-tay-ting.
Meaning: Debilitating means "causing serious impairment of strength or ability to function."
Origin: The verb debilitate (and its adjective form debilitating) comes from the Latin word for "weak," debilis. Often used of disease—as in, "the patient was debilitated"—it can also suggest something that strikes like a disease or illness, "the actor was debilitated by stage fright." In sum, the word suggests a temporary impairment or a condition of weakness and helplessness.
Example: "Smartphone addiction is a real thing, and it can be really debilitating. This rings even more true in the context of the global pandemic when millions upon millions of people are basically stuck at home with nothing else to do." — RJ Pierce

THE ODD WORD

Dactylogram
Fingerprint.

PHRASE OF THE DAY

A diamond in the rough

Meaning: The phrase 'A diamond in the rough' refers to someone or something whose good qualities are hidden.
Origin: If you've ever seen an uncut diamond (a diamond in the rough,) you know it looks nothing like the sparkling gemstones found adorning rings and other jewellery. The origin of the idiom 'a diamond in the rough' isn't known, but it's safe to say that the term was used as early as the 1600s; a similar term first appeared in print in John Fletcher's 1624 A Wife for a Month: "She is very honest, and will be as hard to cut as a rough diamond."
Example: "This film is one of those diamonds in the rough – a wonderful gem that almost no one has noticed."

QUOTE BOX

Angels are like diamonds. They can't be made. You have to find them. Each one is unique. **— Jaclyn Smith**

RIDDLE THIS

Solve the rebus:

Answer: Kettle drum.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:
1 French for 'who'
4 Rep. of Korea
7 Cunning like a fox?
10 Gain by labour
12 A deer-like animal
13 One of the Apostles
15 AWOL soldier
17 Disturb or irk
18 Pad of loose material
19 Cagney's partner?
20 Move furtively
23 Became larger
25 Rip
26 Criminal
29 Over the counter, acronym
30 Chatter
31 Strike light blows
33 Large spade
36 "Road" anagram for a girl's name?
37 Top edges of vessels
38 ____- turvy : upside down?
39 Glitter
42 Nought
43 Female relative
44 Stave off, forestall or inhibit
49 Ballet bend - "pile" anagram?
50 SA river ___ Grande
51 Tug
52 Mormons gp.
53 Fly-by-night
54 Royal Aeroscape, abbr.

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER

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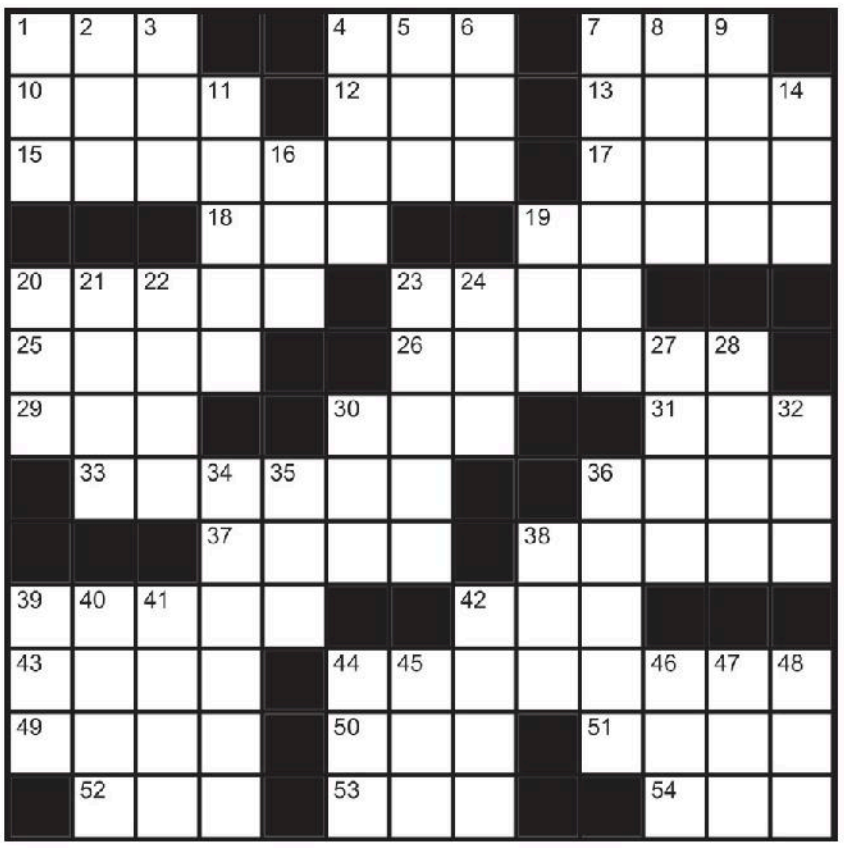
DOWN
1 Letters to end a theorem
2 Abu Dhabi locale
3 Inland Rev. Serv.
4 "Retired" in short ?
5 Spanish cheer
6 IPL team from Kolkata
7 Spread out
8 Not of the clergy
9 Christmas
11 More recent
14 Land temporarily under grass
16 Hit sharply
19 ___ sleeping dogs lie?
20 Cent. Tele. Off.
21 Exposes flax or hemp to moisture?
22 Individually
23 Aims or ends or ambitions
24 Chafe
27 Surmounting
28 Battles or armed conflicts
30 Jewel
32 Settle bill
34 Speaks publicly
35 Vitality
36 ___ catch : a sitter ?
38 Facial twitch
39 Breach or hiatus
40 To soothe or quieten; temporary stillness
41 Author __ Blyton
42 Inert gas
44 Pulse Repetition Frequency
45 Torso bone
46 Former Mideast org.
47 Genetic identification
48 Supplement with difficulty



SUDOKU

		8					7	
		5	6			8		
1		4	9				6	
			1	9				
7			5		6			9
				2	3			
	2				9	7		8
		6			8	5		
	1					6		

Answer to previous puzzle

1	6	4	3	5	7	9	2	8
2	8	9	1	6	4	5	7	3
5	3	7	8	2	9	6	4	1
9	2	1	5	7	8	3	6	4
3	7	6	4	9	2	8	1	5
4	5	8	6	3	1	7	9	2
7	1	3	2	8	6	4	5	9
6	4	5	9	1	3	2	8	7
8	9	2	7	4	5	1	3	6

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

FX IQG UEAAQZ BPZ NFH QX ZMP XEVFWI

YSPWPZQA, IQG VEI EY TPWW VESP FZ HEAUP.

TODAY'S CLUE: G EQUALS U

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: If you don't know, the thing to do is not to get scared, but to learn.

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	(S-3)	10.15 am
Spider-Man: No Way Home (3D-E)	(S-1)	4.00 pm
Hridayam (Ma)	(S-1)	6.55 pm; (S-3) 3.45 pm
Badava Rascal (K)	(S-2)	10.45 am
Ombatthane Dikku (K)	(S-2)	1.30 pm, 4.10 pm, 7.00 pm
Sila Nerangalil Sila Manidhargal (Ta)	(S-3)	1.00 pm
83 (H)	(S-3)	7.00 pm
Good Luck Sakhi (Te)	(S-4)	4.15 pm, 7.00 pm

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Scream 5 (E)	(S-2)	10.30 am, 3.55 pm, 6.40 pm
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DNA - Dhruva Nakshathra Akasha (K)	(S-3)	3.10 pm
Ombatthane Dikku (K)	(S-3)	6.20 pm
	(S-4)	11.25 am
Hridayam (Ma)	(S-1)	10.40 am, 2.20 pm
	(S-4)	5.40 pm
Spider-Man: No Way Home (3D-E)	(S-1)	6.00 pm
83 (H)	(S-3)	11.35 am
Sila Nerangalil Sila Manidhargal (Ta)	(S-4)	2.35 pm

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Scream -2022 (E)	:	11.15 am, 4.50 pm, 7.25 pm
Ombatthane Dikku (K)	:	12.35 pm, 6.40 pm
Badava Rascal (K)	:	12.40 pm
DNA (K)	:	1.50 pm
Spider-Man: No Way Home (E-3D)	:	3.30 pm
Good Luck Sakhi (Te)	:	3.35 pm
Sila Nerangalil Sila Manithargal (Ta)	:	6.15 pm

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Bangarraju (Te)	:	12.10 pm
Hridayam (Ma)	:	11.15 am, 2.50 pm, 6.25 pm
Pushpa (K)	:	12.00 noon
Ombatthane Dikku (K)	:	3.40 pm
DNA (K)	:	6.35 pm
Sila Nerangalil Sila Manithargal (Ta)	:	3.30 pm

MYSURU VISION CINEMAS — Ph: 0821 - 2973519

Ombatthane Dikku (K)	(S-1)	10.45 am
	(S-4)	4.00 pm
		6.45 pm
DNA (K)	(S-1)	1.30 pm
		4.30 pm

NOTE: Movie timings published here are subject to sudden change by the theatre managements. The films are also liable to be changed in multiplexes if there are no minimum audience of 15 to the film announced here.

Racing legend R.R. Byramji passes away at 88

Bengaluru, Jan. 30- Legendary racehorse trainer Rashid Rustomji Byramji (88) passed away on Saturday morning at Bengaluru.

He received his trainer's license at the age of 21 from RWITC in May 1955 and retired at the end of the Bangalore Winter season in March 2017.

Rashid Byramji was rightly considered the greatest Classic trainer this country has ever seen. He saddled a record 3,170 winners, including 230 Classics, across the country.

Rashid Rustomji Byramji

Byramji is the only professional to have achieved the rare feat of winning 10 Indian Derbies and 12 Indian Turf Invitation Cups. He also holds the rare record of scoring hat-tricks twice in the Indian Derby and thrice in the Indian Turf Invitation Cup.

Elusive Pimpernel was Byramji's favourite horse, as he himself has said on several occasions. Elusive Pimpernel raced and won at six different centres, winning 22 of his 23 starts.

10 Indian Derby winners saddled by R.R. Byramji:

Prince Khartoum (1972), Topmost (1974), Commanche (1976), Squanderer (1977), Manitou (1978), Mohawk (1980), Cordon Bleu (1988), Astronomic (1993), Littleover (1994) and Elusive Pimpernel (1995).

12 Indian Turf Invitation Cup winners: Prince Khartoum (Chennai, 1972), Topmost (Mumbai, 1974), Comanche (Chennai, 1976), Squanderer (Bengaluru, 1977), Manitou (Hyderabad, 1978), Everynsky (Kolkata, 1980), Track Lightning (Chennai, 1981).

Almanac (Bengaluru, 1982), Delage (Chennai, 1991), Bugs Bunny (Bengaluru, 1992), Adler (Hyderabad, 1993) and Elusive Pimpernel (Kolkata, 1995).

Barty breaks 44-year hoodoo to win Australian Open

Australia's Ashleigh Barty poses with the trophy after winning Australian Open Singles title in Melbourne yesterday.

Melbourne, Jan. 30- An imperious Ashleigh Barty became the first Australian to win her home Grand Slam in 44 years Saturday, halting the charge of fearless American Danielle Collins in straight sets.

The World No. 1 was 5-1 down in the second set but came storming back to win on a tiebreak and sweep past the 27th seed 6-3, 7-6 (7/2) to be crowned Australian Open champion in front of an expectant Rod Laver Arena crowd.

It was a third Slam title for the 25-year-old after her breakthrough French Open success in 2019 and Wimbledon last year, joining Serena Williams as the only active players to win majors on all three surfaces.

She achieved the feat with Christine O'Neill, the last Australian to win in Melbourne, watching in the stadium.

O'Neill won the title in 1978 and told reporters before the match: "I'm probably her (Barty's) biggest fan. I'd be happy to hand it over to her because she's so deserving of it.

In Men's Singles final, Russian Daniil Medvedev will take on Spaniard Rafael Nadal at 2 pm today (Jan. 30).

PRO KABADDI

Today's Matches (JAN. 30)

Patna Pirates Vs
Jaipur Pink Panthers 7.30 pm

Tamil Thalaivas Vs
Bengaluru Bulls 8.30 pm

Tomorrow's Matches (JAN. 31)

Haryana Steelers Vs
Gujarat Giants 7.30 pm

Dabang Delhi Vs
U Mumba 8.30 pm

Yesterday's Result

Gujarat Giants 22
Lose to
Dabang Delhi 41

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EVENTS TODAY (JAN. 30)

- **Ganabharathi:** Tarunabharathi music concerts, vocal duet by Manya and Prerana, Amogh Nadadur on violin and Nandan Kashyap on mridanga, **6 pm;** Vocal concert by Prithvi Bhaskar, Veene Seshanna Bhavana, Kuvempunagar, **7.15 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (JAN. 31)

- **Swami Vivekananda Study Chair, KSOU, Muktagangothri:** Swami Vivekananda's 159th Jayanti, special lecture programme, lecturer and columnist Vid. Adarshagokhale delivers talk, KSOU VC Dr. S. Vidyashankar presides, Registrar Prof. R. Rajanna will be present, Cauvery auditorium, KSOU premises, **11 am.**

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